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Via Electronic Filing

Mr. Charles Terreni, Chief Clerk  
South Carolina Public Service Commission  
Synergy Business Park  
101 Executive Center Drive  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing please find revisions to the United Telephone Company of the Carolinas LLC, General Subscriber Services Tariff. These revisions are submitted with a July 2, 2009 issue date and a proposed effective date of July 9, 2009. Embarq's tariffs are available on its website at [www2.embarq.com/tariffs](http://www2.embarq.com/tariffs).

The tariff pages enclosed for review and approval are as follows:

Section U3.	Second Revised Page 19.1
Section U4.	First Revised Page 4.1

This filing reflects the name change of the federal food stamp program to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), compliant with the mandated name change for that program under the Food, Conservation and Energy Act of 2008. This program is one of several qualifiers for the Lifeline Assistance program.

Commission consideration and timely approval of these pages are respectfully requested. Upon approval, please return one stamped approved copy of this filing for our records. If you have questions or need additional information regarding this filing, you may call me or Cheryl Sweitzer at (919) 554-7135.

Sincerely,

Robyn Crichton

Enclosures

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## GENERAL SUBSCRIBER SERVICES TARIFF

United Telephone Company of the Carolinas

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### U3. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

#### U3.10 LIFELINE

##### U3.10.1 GENERAL

- f. Residence Lifeline Service consists of the following tariffed standard features and optional customer elected services at the applicable rates, charges and regulations for each feature and service provided:

- (1) One-Party Residence Line Rate
- (2) Directory Listing (standard only)
- (3) Non-Published or Non-Listed Telephone Number Service
- (4) Access to Directory Assistance Service
- (5) U-Touch Calling Service
- (6) Access to Message Toll Telephone Service and Optional Dial Station-to-Station Calling Plan Services
- (7) Access to Operator Services
- (8) Access to 800/888 Services
- (9) Access to Call Trace
- (10) Access to Emergency Services (9-1-1 dialing)
- (11) Access to Bundle and Custom Calling/Class Features Services

##### U3.10.2 REGULATIONS

- a. Lifeline Assistance is available to all residential customers who are currently participating in one of the following Federal Assistance Programs:

- (1) Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- (2) Medicaid
- (3) **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)**
- (4) Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- (5) Federal Public Housing Assistance or Section 8
- (6) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TNAF)

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- b. The Access Line must be in the Lifeline recipient's name.
- c. At no time shall a customer's Lifeline rate go below zero.
- d. A Lifeline Service customer may not subscribe to any other type of residence Local Exchange Service at the same or other premises, e.g., a second access line.
- e. Foreign Exchange and Vacation Service are not available on Lifeline.

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### U4. SERVICE CHARGES

#### U4.3 APPLICATION OF RATES AND CHARGES (Cont'd)

##### U4.3.5 LINK-UP

###### b. Regulations

- (1) Link Up is available to all residential customers who are currently participating in one of the following Federal Assistance Programs:

- (a) Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- (b) Medicaid
- (c) **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)**
- (d) Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- (e) Federal Public Housing Assistance or Section 8
- (f) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TNAF)

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- (2) The applicant must not be a dependent for federal income tax purposes, unless he or she is 60 years of age or older. The Link Up America discount does not apply to applicants who are full-time students living in university or college controlled housing.
- (3) Link-Up connection assistance is available on the installation of a single residential access line at the primary residence of the eligible customer.
- (4) The Link-Up credit is available each time the customer installs or relocates the primary residential service.
- (5) To receive the credit, proof of eligibility must be provided prior to installation of service.
- (6) The total tariffed charges for connecting service, including service and other installation charges, are considered in the credit calculation.
- (7) Link Up applicants are not exempt from Telephone Company deposit requirements.
- (8) The Company reserves the right to periodically audit its records, working in conjunction with the appropriate state agencies, for the purpose of determining, continuing eligibility. Information obtained during such audit will be treated as confidential information to the extent required under State and Federal laws. The use or disclosure of information concerning enrollees will be limited to purposes directly connected with the administration of the Lifeline plan.
- (9) The non-discounted federal credit amount will be passed along to resellers ordering local service at the prescribed resale discount from this tariff, for their eligible end users. Eligible Carriers, as defined by the FCC, are required to establish their own Link Up programs.